

CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS
Council Chamber
3191 Katella Ave., Los Alamitos CA 90720

TRAFFIC COMMISSION AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, March 12, 2025 – 7:00 PM

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1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

Chair Mejia
Vice Chair R. Hill
Commissioner D. Hill
Commissioner Marchese
Commissioner Murphy
Commissioner Patz
Commissioner Rojas

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

At this time, any individual in the audience may address the Traffic Commission and speak on any item within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission. Please state if you wish to speak on an item on the Agenda. **Remarks are to be limited to not more than three minutes.**

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

All Consent Calendar items may be acted upon by one motion unless a Traffic Commissioner requests separate action on a specific item.

A. Approval of Minutes for October 9, 2024

B. Approval of Minutes for January 8, 2025

6. STAFF REPORTS

A. Disabled Parking Policy and Guide (Development Services)

This item provides the Traffic Commission with a recommended policy and guidelines concerning residents' requests for marking on-street accessible parking for disabled individuals (Blue Curb).

Recommendation:

1. Review the proposed policy and guidelines; and,
2. Discuss and provide comments if applicable; and,
3. Recommend approval of the proposed policy and guidelines to the City Council.

B. Request for "Keep Clear" Marking (Development Services)

This item provides the Traffic Commission with information on the traffic order request to install a "Keep Clear" marking on Cerritos Avenue directly across the Los Alamitos High School northwest parking lot driveway.

Recommendation:

1. Review the proposed plan, which includes a "Keep Clear" road marking on Cerritos Avenue; and,
2. Discuss and provide comments if applicable; and,
3. Provide a recommendation to proceed with the request.

C. Traffic Commission Status Log

7. ITEMS FROM THE DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

8. TRAFFIC COMMISSION INITIATED BUSINESS

At this time, Commissioners may report on items not included on the agenda, but no such matter may be discussed, nor may any action be taken in which there is interest to the community, except as to provide Staff direction to report back or to place the item on a future agenda.

9. ADJOURNMENT

I hereby certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California, that the foregoing Agenda was posted at the Los Alamitos City Hall, 3191 Katella Ave. and online at www.cityoflosalamitos.org not less than 72 hours prior to the meeting.



Vandine Ouk
Department Secretary
Dated: 3/07/25

MINUTES OF TRAFFIC COMMISSION MEETING OF THE CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS

REGULAR MEETING – October 9, 2024

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Traffic Commission met in Regular Session at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 9, 2024, Chair Murphy presiding.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners: Chair Murphy,
Vice Chair Mejia
D. Hill (absent), R. Hill (absent), Marchese,
Patz, and Rojas

Present: Staff: Ron Noda, Dep. City Manager/Development
Services Director
Irving Montenegro Jr., Development Services
Manager
Chris Kelley, City Engineer
Vandine Ouk, Department Secretary

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Rojas led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. PRESENTATION

Southern California Edison (SCE) Representative, Tony Cardenas presented a PowerPoint presentation on Transportation Electrification.

The Traffic Commission asked and received clarification from Representative Cardenas on the following:

- The system average interruption duration index (SAIDI) for Los Alamitos was higher in 2022 because there was more rainfall that affected the equipment.
- A momentary interruption is when power is shut off for a short period of time.
- Charging a vehicle is more cost effective than fueling.

Development Services Director Noda asked when the mandate is for government entities to convert to electric vehicle.

Chair Murphy asked and received clarification from Development Services Director Noda that private parties purchased the electric vehicle charging stations that are currently in the city.

Vice Chair Mejia requested an estimate and potential savings for replacing all outdated overhead intersection lights to higher efficiency.

Development Services Director Noda stated that the city allocates approximately fifty thousand dollars annually to convert the lights to LED at intersections.

5. ORAL COMMUNICATION

Chair Murphy opened oral communications.

Chair Murphy closed oral communications.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

All Consent Calendar items may be acted upon by one motion unless a Traffic Commissioner requests separate action on a specific item.

A. Approval of the Minutes

Approval of the Minutes for the Regular Meeting of September 11, 2024.

Motion/Second: Patz/Marchese

Carried 5/0 (D. Hill and R. Hill absent): The Traffic Commission approved the Regular Meeting Minutes of September 11, 2024.

7. STAFF REPORTS

A. Traffic Study – New Dutch Haven

Development Services Manager Montenegro Jr. summarized the staff report.

Commissioner Marchese recommended roundabouts in the middle of the intersections. Development Services Director Noda stated data is needed to warrant the installation of a roundabout.

Commissioner Marchese asked Development Services Manager Montenegro Jr. for clarification that the striping calming measures help reduce speed by creating the illusion of narrowed lanes.

Commissioner Marchese asked and received clarification from Development Services Director Noda that the Traffic Engineer's study warrants the installation of stop signs.

Commissioner Rojas asked and received clarification from Development Services Director Noda that the study indicates speeds are approaching excessive levels, justifying the installation of stop signs.

Vice Chair Mejia discussed the following:

- Residents in that area reaching out to complain about the speeding issue
- Installing stop signs one section at a time
- Comparison of data to Old Town West before calming measures were installed

Chair Murphy asked and received clarification from Development Services Director Noda that flashing stop signs can be disruptive to the residents.

Chair Murphy requested speed limit signs be installed in the neighborhood and a stop sign on Antietam Avenue. Development Services Director Noda will address the additional stop sign with Traffic Engineer Iranitalab.

Commissioner Marchese stated that she lives on Howard and agrees that vehicles drive by quickly.

Resident Robert Feldman thanked the city for conducting the study and hopes the Traffic Commission votes to install the stop signs in the New Dutch Haven neighborhood.

Vice Chair Mejia stated that there are flashing stop signs that only blink when the vehicle is in front of the sign.

Vice Chair Mejia requested a mobile trailer for a speed limit sign to be set up.

Motion/Second: Patz/Mejia

5/0 (D. Hill and R. Hill absent): The Traffic Commission approved the installation of stop signs as presented along with a mobile speed limit sign.

B. Traffic Commission Status Log

This is a traffic tool the Traffic Commission uses to track assignments and accomplishments.

Chair Murphy asked and received clarification from Development Services Director Noda that item E7 is completed.

7. FROM THE DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Development Services Director Noda briefly discussed the following:

- The e-bike plan will be presented by the Police Department at the November Traffic Commission Meeting
- Amendment of Speed Hump policy to come at a future meeting
- Requested the Traffic Meeting in December is not held
- Closing out the Permit Parking survey and presenting it in January, 2025 Traffic Commission Meeting
- Nites on Pine – Saturday, October 19th from 4:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
- Trunk or Treat - Saturday, October 26th from 5:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
- SCE Underground Vault Installation along Los Alamitos Boulevard south of Katella Avenue
- The Citywide Street Improvement Project is starting October 21st
- Pine Street Design has begun due to being awarded the OCTA grant
- Bloomfield Active Transportation Plan (ATP) Design has begun due to being awarded a grant from Senator Michelle Steel
- Los Alamitos Boulevard Signing and Striping Project has commenced
- Katella Avenue Signing and Striping Project to commence in the upcoming weeks

Chair Murphy asked and received clarification from Development Services Director Noda that the speed humps in the alleyways were removed due to damage and/or missing parts.

Development Services Manager Montenegro Jr. briefly discussed the resumption of the Sterns Park Project.

Commissioner Marchese asked and received clarification from Development Services Director Noda that the Town Center Mix Use plan for Downtown Pine Street can be found on our City website.

8. TRAFFIC COMMISSION INITIATED BUSINESS

Vice Chair Mejia recommended that the taper of the Los Angeles Sanitation District (LA San) Project be installed further west. City Engineer Kelley stated he could mention the recommendation to LA San.

Vice Chair Mejia asked Development Services Director Noda for clarification: The results from the neighborhood signage survey will be presented in February 2025, as will the status of the name change for the Apartment Row neighborhood.

Vice Chair Murphy asked and received clarification from City Engineer Kelley that the Lexington Signing and Striping Project is expected to start in four weeks.

Commissioner Patz mentioned observing the City of Cypress installing reclaimed water pipes and inquired whether the City of Los Alamitos could access them.

Development Services Director Noda replied that he is investigating the matter with the Orange County Sanitation District.

Chair Murphy expressed his appreciation for timely communication from staff to city elected officials.

Chair Murphy asked and received clarification from Development Services Director Noda that the City is in the process of updating the Commission handbook, which will be distributed early next year.

Vice Chair Mejia asked and received clarification from Development Services Director Noda that no members of the Traffic Commission board terms are due to expire; however, a reorganization is scheduled for January 2025.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Motion/Second: Patz/Murphy

Carried 5/0 (D. Hill and R. Hill absent): The Traffic Commission unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting until November 13, 2024.

The Traffic Commission adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

Bruce Murphy, Chair

Attest:

Vandine Ouk, Department Secretary

MINUTES OF TRAFFIC COMMISSION MEETING OF THE CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS

REGULAR MEETING – January 8, 2025

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Traffic Commission met in Regular Session at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 8, 2025 Chair Murphy presiding.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners: Chair Murphy,
Vice Chair Mejia
D. Hill (absent), R. Hill, Marchese, Patz, and
Rojas

Present: Staff: Irving Montenegro Jr, Development Services
Manager
Shaun Krogman, Police Sergeant
Chris Kelley, City Engineer
Farhad Iranitilab, Traffic Engineer
Vandine Ouk, Department Secretary

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Mejia led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. ORAL COMMUNICATION

Chair Murphy opened oral communications.

Chair Murphy closed oral communications.

5. TRAFFIC COMMISSION REORGANIZATION

A. Annual Traffic Commission Reorganization

This annual report provides relevant information for the Traffic Commission's annual reorganization by the election of the Chair and Vice Chair.

Department Secretary Ouk called for nominations for the position of Chair.

Commissioner Patz nominated Commissioner Mejia.

Department Secretary Ouk asked if there were any further nominations and there were none.

Department Secretary Ouk proceeded with voting for Commissioner Mejia for the Office of Chair

Commissioner R. Hill	Aye
Commissioner Marchese	Aye
Commissioner Mejia	Aye
Commissioner Murphy	Aye
Commissioner Patz	Aye
Commissioner Rojas	Aye

Carried 6/0 (D. Hill absent): The Traffic Commission appointed Commissioner Mejia as Chair.

Chair Mejia called for nominations for the position of Vice Chair.

Commissioner Patz nominated Commissioner R. Hill.

Chair Mejia asked if there were any further nominations and there were none.

Department Secretary Ouk proceeded with voting for Commissioner R. Hill for the Office of Vice Chair.

Commissioner R. Hill	Aye
Commissioner Marchese	Aye
Commissioner Mejia	Aye
Commissioner Murphy	Aye
Commissioner Patz	Aye
Commissioner Rojas	Aye

Carried 6/0 (D. Hill absent): The Traffic Commission appointed Commissioner R. Hill as Vice Chair.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

All Consent Calendar items may be acted upon by one motion unless a Traffic Commissioner requests separate action on a specific item.

A. Approval of the Minutes

Approval of the Minutes for the Regular Meeting of October 9, 2024

Chair Mejia requested to bring October's Traffic Commission Minutes for approval to the next meeting due to the audio recording of the October meeting not being available on the city website for reference.

B. Approval of Minutes

Approval of the minutes for the Regular Meeting of November 13, 2024.

Motion/Second: Patz/Murphy

Carried 6/0 (D. Hill absent): The Traffic Commission approved the Regular Minutes of November 13, 2024.

7. STAFF REPORTS

A. Amendment to the Speed Hump Policy - Alleyways

Development Services Manager Montenegro Jr. summarized the staff report.

Commissioner Murphy asked and received clarification from Traffic Engineer Iranitalab that there is no consideration for speedhumps constructed with asphalt.

Commissioner Patz asked and received clarification from Development Services Manager Montenegro Jr. that the request to amend the speed hump policy was from residents near Katella Deli.

Commissioner Patz asked and received clarification from Traffic Engineer Iranitalab that alleyways are not the main route for emergency vehicles.

Sergeant Krogman stated that alleyways are often used by first responders.

Commissioner Rojas asked and received clarification from Development Services Manager Montenegro Jr. that if the recommendation for the policy amendment is approved, the next step would be to do a traffic study in the alleyway to establish locations that may need the speed humps, and if so, the city would reach out to surrounding businesses and residents adjacent to the alleyway to conduct a survey.

Commissioner Murphy asked and received clarification from Traffic Engineer Iranitalab that the life expectancy of an asphalt speed hump in an alleyway is five to ten years.

Chair Mejia asked and received clarification from Traffic Engineer Iranitalab that the material used for the speed humps will be at the discretion of the City Engineer based on the location.

Vice Chair R. Hill asked about using speed tables. Traffic Engineer Iranitalab stated that speed tables are usually used at intersections.

Vice Chair R. Hill asked and received clarification from Traffic Engineer Iranitalab that the width is not included in the amendment because it differs in alleyways.

Vice Chair R. Hill asked and received clarification from Montenegro Jr. that the amendment is for the guidelines for installation and removal of speed humps in alleyways.

Chair Mejia asked and received clarification from Traffic Engineer Iranitalab that signage will be appropriately installed.

Patz/Marchese: 6/0 (D. Hill absent) Motion to approve amended speed hump policy with the suggested revisions of having the speed hump material chosen by the discretion of the City Engineer.

B. Traffic Commission Status Log

Vice Chair R. Hill asked to revise item E3 to state traveling west not east on Bradbury Road.

Vice Chair R. Hill asked and received clarification from Traffic Engineer Iranitalab that he will assess the traffic light on Bradbury Road after tonight's meeting.

Sergeant Krogman suggested assessing the traffic light between 11:00 p.m. and 3:30 a.m.

Commissioner Patz asked for the status on item E4. City Engineer Kelley stated that the item is still pending review.

Commissioner Murphy asked for an update on item E7. Development Services Manager Montenegro Jr. that the e-bike policy will be taken to the February Council Meeting and the recommendations from the Traffic Commission have been passed to the Los Alamitos Police Department

7. FROM THE DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Development Services Manager Montenegro Jr. briefly discussed the following:

- Laurel Park Ribbon Cutting Ceremony – January 9, 2025 at 4:00 p.m.
- Good Evening, Los Alamitos – January 28, 2025 from 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. at the Community Center
- Commission Dinner – February 10, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.
- Online Parking Permit Presentation to February City Council Meeting

- New bike lanes on Los Alamitos Boulevard

Commissioner Patz asked and received clarification from City Engineer Kelley that additional delineators will be added to further limit vehicles from going into the bike lane.

Vice Chair R. Hill asked and received clarification from Traffic Engineer Iranitalab that we cannot remove the last two bollards to have vehicles turn right because it is a safety concern.

Commissioner Patz asked and received clarification from Traffic Engineer Iranitalab that the reason why the bike lane design when traveling north on the Los Alamitos Boulevard is different because there are only two lanes going in that direction.

8. TRAFFIC COMMISSION INITIATED BUSINESS

Commissioner Murphy asked and received clarification from Development Services Manager Montenegro Jr. that the commissioner handbook is in review with the City Clerk's office and that there is a guideline in the handbook regarding attendance.

Commissioner Murphy asked and received clarification from Commissioner Patz that there is an existing process for petitioning permit parking.

Chair Mejia asked for clarification on who gets notified for projects, owners or renters.

Commissioner Murphy asked and received clarification from Commissioner Patz that the daylighting policy was taken into effect in January of 2025.

Development Services Manager Montenegro Jr. stated education on the policy will take place before enforcement by the police department.

Chair Mejia asked and received clarification from Traffic Engineer Iranitalab that the city will be able to cite after 2025.

Commissioner Marchese asked and received clarification from Sergeant Krogman that it is necessary to enforce and cite vehicles violating the policy. Chair Mejia stated that citing will help residents obey the daylighting policy.

Commissioner Rojas asked and received clarification from Sergeant Krogman that residents can appeal the citation through parking enforcement.

Commissioner Patz asked and received clarification from Development Services Manager Montenegro Jr. that the city will be using multiple platforms to educate residents on the daylighting law.

Commissioner Patz requests an update from the city that include steps taken, where we stand, and to discuss options for daylighting law.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Motion/Second: Patz /R. Hill

Carried 6/0 (D. Hill absent): The Traffic Commission unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting until February 12, 2025.

The Traffic Commission adjourned at 8:17p.m.

Javier Mejia, Chair

Attest:

Vandine Ouk, Department Secretary

City of Los Alamitos

TRAFFIC COMMISSION AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: March 12, 2025

ITEM NUMBER: 6A

To: Chair Mejia & Members of the Traffic Commission

Presented By: Irving Montenegro Jr., Manager

Subject: Disabled Parking Policy and Guide

SUMMARY

This item provides the Traffic Commission with a recommended policy and guidelines concerning residents' requests for marking on-street accessible parking for disabled individuals (Blue Curb).

RECOMMENDATION

1. Review the proposed policy and guidelines; and,
2. Discuss and provide comments if applicable; and,
3. Recommend approval of the proposed policy and guidelines to the City Council.

BACKGROUND

The City has occasionally received requests for on-street curb marking for accessible parking spaces that service disabled individuals in front of their residences. Most recently, the City received an email from a resident detailing the limitations of accessible parking with verification that she is medically deemed disabled and possesses the necessary documentation from the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to prove that she holds an active handicap placard. Currently, the City does not have a policy to evaluate such requests.

The City's Traffic Engineer researched other cities that provide a structure to receive and review similar requests. City staff prepared a sample policy and guidelines for the Traffic Commission to review.

DISCUSSION

Pursuant to California Vehicle Code Sections 22507 and 22511 et al., a limited number of on-street parking spaces may be designated by the City for the benefit of disabled residents with an identifiable need for accessible parking without significantly affecting the available curb parking in the area. The City of Los Alamitos does not provide on-street parking for private individuals. It must be emphasized that "parking spaces for the disabled" do not constitute "personal reserved parking" and that any person with valid "disabled persons" license plates (DP or VT plates) may park in such stalls. Persons parking in such stalls without valid DP or VT plates shall be cited.

In addition, possession of a "parking space for the disabled" does not relieve the applicant from

conforming to any other parking restrictions that may be in effect, such as no parking for street sweeping. The attached sample of policies and guidelines was developed to create a process for evaluating the resident request and ensure that there is a structured method for review, approval, or denial.

The blue curb ADA parking is valid for two years, and the applicant must submit required verification to renew and maintain the parking space.

FISCAL IMPACT

The Blue Curb painting is estimated to be in the range of \$400-\$600, which includes labor (Public Works), materials, and maintenance.

Attachment: 1. Attachment - Sample Handicap Parking Policy and Guidelines DRAFT

DRAFT HANDICAP PARKING POLICY

POLICY FOR THE INSTALLATION OF ON-STREET PARKING STALLS FOR THE DISABLED IN RESIDENTIAL AREAS

General Statement

Pursuant to California Vehicle Code Sections 22507 and 22511 et al., a limited number of on-street parking spaces may be designated by the City for the benefit of residents with an identifiable need for disabled parking without significantly affecting the available curb parking in the area. The City of Los Alamitos does not provide on-street parking for private individuals. It must be emphasized that “parking spaces for the disabled” do not constitute “personal reserved parking” and that any person with valid “disabled persons” license plates (DP or VT plates) may park in such stalls. Persons parking in such stalls without valid DP or VT plates shall be cited.

In addition, the possession of a “parking space for the disabled” does not relieve the applicant from conforming to any other parking restrictions that may be in effect, such as no parking for street sweeping.

The City of Los Alamitos reserves the right to modify, add, or delete any of the guidelines. The applicant will be notified well in advance of any proposed changes to the policy, which will take effect one (1) month from City Council approval.

Guidelines

- A. The applicant shall make available to the City, the following items for consideration of the residence for a parking space designation for the disabled:
 - 1. Completed application and checklist including a signed statement from a medical doctor stating that the disabled person is unable (even with the aid of crutches, braces, walker, wheelchair or similar support) to travel more than 50 feet between his or her home and automobile without the assistance of a second person.
 - 2. Proof of the applicant valid Disabled Persons or Disabled Veterans license plates/placards issued by the California Department of Motor Vehicles.
 - 3. Current proof of residence for the residence being considered for disabled parking designation.
- B. For the applicant’s residence to qualify for an on-street parking space for the disabled, the following conditions must be satisfied:
 - 1. The proposed parking space for the disabled must be in front of the disabled person’s place of residence.
 - 2. The residence must not have off-street parking available or off-street space that may be converted to a parking space for the disabled. Applicant’s garages and driveways cannot be used for storage purposes. All off-street spaces intended for parking of vehicles should be used appropriately for parking only.

3. Parking is currently allowed on the street in front of the applicant's residence and there is sufficient curb space and street width therein to accommodate a parking space for the disabled. The parking space for the disabled should be nine (9) feet wide and twenty (20) feet long. The parking space must not impede traffic or block sight lines for other vehicles on the street.
 4. The property should have an accessible path from the street side to the residence. The degree of accessibility may be dependent on the severity of the disability. When the passenger side of the vehicle must be used for disabled access, then there should be an accessible loading area along the street curb or shoulder.
 5. Blue curbs shall be used only for the parking of the applicant's/immediate resident's own vehicles. They shall not be used as a loading or unloading zone for public transportation or any other vehicles.
 6. Blue curbs shall only be granted for single-family dwellings. This excludes condominiums, apartment complexes, and multi-family units (two or more houses on a single lot). Exceptions to this guideline may be appealed with a formal request and approved at the discretion of the Traffic Engineer and its Traffic Commission.
- C. The applicant(s) must submit the following information every two years to renew and maintain the parking space:
1. Written verification of renewal of their disabled placard or plate.
 2. Proof of residency prior to the expiration date of the placard.
- D. Circumstances that may warrant removal of a City-installed on-street parking space for the disabled:
1. The applicant(s) has moved or otherwise vacated the premises.
 2. The applicant(s) has not submitted the required documentation for biennial renewal.
 3. The applicant has altered the on-street parking space for the disabled installed by the City, with the intent to misuse.
 4. The City's subsequent determination that the space is being misused or that conditions have changed such that the residence no longer qualifies for a parking space for the disabled.

Procedure

- A. Submit a completed application, checklist, and supporting medical documentation.
- B. City Traffic Engineer, Police Services and Planning Department will conduct an investigation and will determine if the residence qualifies for a parking space for the disabled. A written notice will be sent to potentially affected properties up to 150 feet from the applicant's property. The notice will include a description of the request and City approved conditions for any appeal to the proposed on-street parking space for the disabled.
- C. City Traffic Engineer will take the request to the Traffic Commission for consideration.
- D. If approved, Public Works will install the approved number of disabled parking stalls.

City of Los Alamitos

TRAFFIC COMMISSION AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: March 12, 2025

ITEM NUMBER: 6B

To: Chair Mejia & Members of the Traffic Commission

Presented By: Irving Montenegro Jr., Manager

Subject: Request for "Keep Clear" Marking

SUMMARY

This item provides the Traffic Commission with information on the traffic order request to install a "Keep Clear" marking on Cerritos Avenue directly across the Los Alamitos High School northwest parking lot driveway.

RECOMMENDATION

1. Review the proposed plan, which includes a "Keep Clear" road marking on Cerritos Avenue; and,
2. Discuss and provide comments if applicable; and,
3. Provide a recommendation to proceed with the request.

BACKGROUND

The City received a request from Los Alamitos High School to evaluate the installation of a "Keep Clear" road marking to improve vehicular pathways, specifically their school buses exiting the school parking lot.

The high school's school bus route enters along Griffin Way and exits out of the northwest driveway. During high-volume traffic times, exiting has been difficult, and the "Keep Clear" road marking will assist with the safety and timeliness of exiting the High School's parking lot.

To review the request, the Traffic Engineer has designed the specified road markings which detail the size and type of marking.

DISCUSSION

The installation of the "Keep Clear" markings is recommended for the improvement of vehicular pathways in and out of the parking lot. The signing and striping will consist of thermoplastic and conform to the latest CalTrans industry standards.

FISCAL IMPACT

The estimated cost of installation is approximately \$1,600. If the item is recommended for approval, the expenditure will be deducted from the Development Services Department—Street Maintenance Division.

Attachment: 1. Los AI HS Keep Clear_signed_2024.10.16

1. SIGNING, STRIPING AND THE INSTALLATION THEREOF SHALL CONFORM TO THE LATEST CALTRANS STANDARD PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS, DATED 2023, THE LATEST CALIFORNIA MANUAL ON UNIFORM TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES. THIS PLAN AND THE SPECIAL PROVISIONS.
2. ALL STRIPING AND PAVEMENT MARKINGS SHALL BE THERMOPLASTIC.
3. REMOVAL OF CONFLICTING STRIPING AND PAVEMENT LEGENDS SHALL BE BY GRINDING. STRIPING REMOVALS INCLUDE RAISED PAVEMENT MARKERS. DEBRIS SHALL BE REMOVED BEFORE THE END OF EACH WORKING DAY. GRIND AREAS FOR PAVEMENT LEGENDS AND ARROWS SHALL BE RECTANGULAR.

- 1 INSTALL STRIPING DETAIL OR PAVEMENT MARKING AS NOTED.
- 2 INSTALL 12" WHITE LIMIT LINE.

 SIGNALIZED INTERSECTION



SCALE: 1" = 20'

REVISIONS				REFERENCES			DATE	CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS PUBLIC SERVICES DEPARTMENT
NUMBER	DATE	INITIALS		APPV'D		2401 East Katella Ave., Suite 450, Anaheim, California 92806 714/919-8200 fax 714/919-8299		
						DRAWN BY DK CHECKED BY DK DESIGNED BY DK	10/16/2024 10/16/2024 10/16/2024	CERRITOS AVENUE SCHOOL MARKING & SIGNING IMPROVEMENTS
						APPROVED  City Engineer	10/16/2024 Date	

LOS ALAMITOS TRAFFIC COMMISSION STATUS LOG

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	DATE INITIATED	REQUESTED BY	REMARKS
A1	install 4-way stop signs at 4-way stop intersections	Jul-15	J. Wilhelm	Completed
A2	Farquhar/Los Alamitos Alley Study		Emerson/Mejia	Completed
A3	No left turn sign by the post office on Reagan St	Jun-15	D. Patz	Completed
A4	Katella/Cherry crosswalk on eastside of Katella	Jun-15	J. Mejia	Pending - Put on 7-yr CIP
A5	High School Traffic Study		D. Hunt	Completed. Submitted request to the district and was denied. No further action at this time.
A7	Repaint arrows at bus pad on Katella @ Walnut	Apr-15	J. Mejia	Completed
A8	3-way stop sign @ Cherry St & Catalina St	Jan-13	J. Wilhelm	Completed
A9	Consider options for widening Civic Center Dr	Jan-14	J. Mejia	No longer applies
A10	Upgrade forklift crossing on Catalina	Jan-16	J. Mejia	Completed
A11	remove parking spaces on s/s Catalina opposite - near the Los Alamitos Medical Center	Mar-16	J. Mejia	Completed
A12	PT/P study to downgrade fully protected operation for Rossmoor Way/Los Alamitos TS and Bradbury/Los Alamitos TS S/B and N/B directions	Jun-16	D. Emerson	Completed
A13	1. Los Alamitos Blvd @ Farquhar - safety light out 2. Los Alamitos Blvd @ Katella - safety light cycling 3. Los Alamitos Blvd @ Florista, safety light out 4. Los Alamitos Blvd @ Cerritos - Illuminated street name dark 5. Cerritos Ave @ Los Al High, ISNS is out 6. Cerritos Ave @ Humbolt, ISNS is out 7. Cerritos Ave @ Bloomfield, safety light out	Feb-19	J. Mejia	Completed
A15	Los Alamitos Blvd @ Orangewood Safety Light Out	Mar-08	Hill	Completed
A16	Safety light out at the intersection of Humbolt Street and Cerritos Ave.	May-17	Chair Patz	Completed
A17	Bloomfield speed sign is not working	Apr-17		Completed
A18	Parking Revision 10732 Los Alamitos Boulevard in Front of McNally Back to 24 Min. Zone.	Feb. 7	Commission	Completed
A19	Real Estate Sign limiting visibility at the intersection of Florista and Pine	Apr-17	Commission	Completed
A20	Florista Signal Timing	Jul-17	Commissioner Hill	completed.
A21	Katella Avenue at Lexington Safety light is dark	Sept. 17	Commission	Completed
A22	Traffic signal indication at S/W corner missing	Sept. 17	Chair Patz	Completed
A23	Move or upgrade mid-block crosswalk on Cherry s/o Florista	Mar-16	J. Mejia & D. Patz	Completed

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A24	five (5) traffic signs on the south side of Katella Avenue, between the 605 freeway and Wallingsford are starting to lean toward the street.	Feb-19	E. Singer	Completed
A25	parkway trees are blocking the effectiveness of the street lights, on the east side of Los Alamitos Boulevard, between the car wash and Bradbury Road.	Feb-19	E. Singer	Completed
A26	alley, south of Katella from Lexington heading west: overgrown vegetation at the rear of the private properties	Feb-19	E Singer	Completed
A27	repair of two speeds bumps in the alley between Lexington Drive and Noel Street, and between Katella Avenue and Green Avenue.	Mar-19	J. Mejia	Completed
A28	request to adjust the new median lights on Los Alamitos Boulevard, so that the lights are triggered to turn on and off by the sensor and not the timer.	Feb-19	D. Patz	Completed
A29	Scramble Timing at the intersection of Cerritos and Los Alamitos Boulevard	Apr-17	R. Hill	No further action required at this time. Will be evaluated after School Traffic Study Review
A30	Add red curb for sight distance on Katella for n/bound Bloomfield	Mar-16	D. Emerson	Completed
A31	Vehicles in N/bound left turn lanes on Los Alamitos at Katella back up into thru lane	Jan-16	D. Emerson	Reviewing - Would likely require capital improvements
A32	Replace speed bumps in alley - poor condition	Jan-16	J. Mejia	Completed - no longer applicable
A34	Extend the "merge left" sign on Los Alamitos Boulevard (NB) to be moved closer to Katella Avenue	Apr-19	Singer	Completed
A35	Painted "merging" street marks on Los Alamitos Boulevard north of Katella Avenue, south of Florista Avenue.	Jun-19	Traffic Commissioner Mejia	Completed
A36	"No Parking" sign replacement at the west end of San Joaquin Avenue	Jun-19	Traffic Commissioner Patz	Completed
A37	San Bonito Avenue street sign on Bloomfield Street going north to south is blocked by a block wall	Oct-19	Traffic Commissioner Patz	Completed
A38	Katella Deli removal of damaged wall	Feb-19	Traffic Commissioner Mejia	Completed

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A39	Overgrown tree on private property covering a signal at the intersection of Bradbury Road and Los Alamitos Boulevard	Jun-19	Traffic Commissioner Rodman	Completed
A40	Street name signs at Los Alamitos Bl/Florista-paint/vinyl peeling off	Jan-16	J. Seaman	Completed
A41	Faded permit parking signs on San Joaquin Avenue, San Mateo Avenue, and Humbolt Street paint/vinyl peeling off	Jan-22	Traffic Commissioner Patz	Completed
A42	Restripe crosswalk on Kyle Street and Florista Street	Jun-22	Javier Mejia	Completed
A43	Request for removal of flashing radar speed sign on Bloomfield Street between Cerritos Avenue and Katella Avenue	Jun-23	Chair Patz	Completed
A44	Request for median markers on the east side of Katella Avenue	Jan-23	Commissioner Murphy	Completed
A45	No U-Turn sign on the left turn lane on Los Alamitos Boulevard into Good Shepherd Church	24-Jun	Traffic Commissioner R. Hill	Completed
COMMUNITY INITIATED ITEMS - COMPLETED				
B1	Extend signal time for cars crossing Katella @ Walnut/Wallingsford	Apr-June-15	Lindsey	Completed
B2	Conduct Four-Way Stop Study at the intersection of Walnut and Catalina	Apr-17		Completed
B3	Traffic Signal @ Wallingsford and Katella	May-17	Resident	Completed
B4	requesting the installation of a u-turn sign and/or paint a red curb in the Woodcrest neighborhood - school traffic imposes safety concerns (Los Alamitos High School)	Oct-17	Residents: Carol Wall & Betty Binder	completed.
B5	installation of a right-turn only sign at the exit driveway off Farquhar, on the east side of Jack in the Box leaving Bank of America parking lot going onto Farquhar.	Nov-17	Resident: Art DeBolt	completed and removed.
B6	Traffic signal at Katella and Los Alamitos	Jul-17	P. Dykhous	Completed: Traffic signal is operating as was intended
B7	Red curb request on north side of Sausalito Street east of the driveway into Sausalito Walk	Sep-18	Resident: Richard Murphy	Completed
B8	Installation of a crosswalk at the intersection of Green Avenue and Bloomfield Avenue	Jan-19	Resident:	Completed
B9	Dedicated right turn lane on Cerritos Avenue in front of Los Alamitos High School	Oct-19	Traffic Commissioner Hill	Completed

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B10	Permit parking sign removal in New Dutch Haven neighborhood - as part of the permit parking review	Oct-19	Residents	Completed
B11	Permit parking sign removal in Carrier Row neighborhood - as part of the permit parking review	Oct-19	Residents	Completed
B12	Red curb request on south of Sausalito Street west of Los Alamitos Boulevard (next to Shenandoah's)	Sep-18	Resident: Richard Murphy	Completed
B13	Request for the installation of equipment for the visually impaired on Florista Street and Los Alamitos Boulevard	Fall 2018	Resident	Completed
B14	Installation of speed humps at Old Town West (Project updated to Traffic Calming)	Sep-19	Resident	Completed
B15	Red Curb Request on 4021 Howard Avenue	May-17	Matthew Dastis	Item pending written request from Mr. Dastis. *Requestee passed away* No further action needed
RECOMMENDATION APPROVED & PENDING IMPLEMENTATION				
C1	Analysis of other intersections near all schools within City limits which might warrant the installation of a crosswalk	Jan-19	Traffic Commission	Approved - pending implementation
C2	Street sweeping signage around the LAMC (initiated by excess trash and debris on the street)	Jan-19	Resident	Approved - pending implementation
C3	Safety concern of accessibility on the southeast and northeast corner of Los Alamitos Boulevard/Bradbury Road and Los Alamitos Boulevard/Rossmoor Way	Apr-21	D. Hill	Approved - pending implementation
RECOMMENDATION DENIED				
D1	installation of northbound speed limit sign on Bloomfield	Nov-19	Resident: Art DeBolt	denied
D2	change the alley (between Farquhar Ave & Howard Ave) to be one-way only	Nov-19	Resident: Art DeBolt	denied
D3	Remove "Keep Clear" on Farquhar at Cherry	Mar-16	D. Emerson	Denied
D4	Remove school signs for Laurel HS, which is closed	Nov-15	D. Patz	Denied per schools request
D5	Modify pedestrian signal/sign for NB right turns - East leg Bloomfield & Katella	Jan-14	J. Wilhelm	Denied

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D6	Request to add permit parking on Maple Street in the Apartment Row neighborhood	Jan-20	Resident: Mark Giruad	Denied
D7	15 minute parking sign at 4012 Katella Ave, Suite 101	Mar-20	Business Owner: Hai Nguyen	Denied - Staff spoke to Business owner
D8	Bring the traffic study for Shea Properties Arrowhead to Commission	Mar-16	J. Mejia	Denied
ITEMS PENDING - TRAFFIC COMMISSION				
E1	Striping Plan on Katella Avenue	Nov-23	J. Mejia	Item pending
E2	Guardrail on southeast corner of Katella Avenue and Los Alamitos Boulevard	Jan-24	D. Hill	Item pending
E3	Traffic signal timing traveling West on Bradbury Road at Los Alamitos Boulevard	Mar-24	R. Hill	Item pending
E4	One Way Street with angled parking in Apartment Row on Green Avenue and Howard Avenue	24-Jun	D. Patz	Item pending
E5	Review 2-hour parking sign in front of 10841 Bloomfield Street to reserve for staff	24-Jun	R. Hill	Item pending
E6	Review time limit parking signs in the city	24-Jun	J. Mejia	Item pending
E7	E-Bike Plan	24-Jun	B. Murphy	Item pending
ITEMS PENDING CONSIDERATION - CITY COUNCIL				